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## **KC MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO DISTRIBUTING COCAINE IN LEE'S SUMMIT**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man pleaded guilty in federal court today to distributing powder cocaine in Lee's Summit, Mo.

**Ruben Miranda**, 35, of Kansas City, Mo., pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Fernando J. Gaitan, Jr., this morning to distributing cocaine.

By pleading guilty, **Miranda** admitted that he distributed one ounce of powder cocaine in the 1600 block of Northeast Douglas Street in Lee's Summit, on Sept. 18, 2002. **Miranda** also admitted to distributing powder cocaine on an additional six occasions between October 2002 and February 2003. **Miranda** distributed a total of approximately 243 grams of powder cocaine on the seven separate occasions, Graves said.

**Miranda** was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Oct. 8, 2003, in Kansas City.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney David M. Ketchmark and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew P. Wolesky. It was investigated by the Jackson County, Mo., Drug Task Force.

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